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SEBACEOUS FOLLICLES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action for the above-identified patent application, mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 9, 2002, please extend the date for response by three months up to and including April 9, 2003. Applicants enclose a petition for the extension of time, and a check to cover the extension fee.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Prior to further examination, please amend claims 1, 14, 20, 21, 30, 32 and 34, as follows:

- 1 (Amended) A method of treating a sebaceous follicle disorder in a preselected dermal region of mammalian skin, the preselected dermal region having at least one lesion characteristic of the disorder disposed therein, the method comprising the steps of:
- (a) cooling an area of the skin above the preselected dermal region; and
  - (b) applying energy to the preselected dermal region in an amount sufficient to ameliorate the lesion while keeping the temperature of the area of the skin above

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